



PATENT APPLICATION

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Title: COUPLING DEVICE FOR)
OPTICALLY COUPLING A)
WAVEGUIDE TO AN ELECTRO-)
OPTICAL ELEMENT)

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INFORMAL AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency With Specification mailed February 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 14, please change the first paragraph to read as follows:

FIGS. 6A-6C respectively show in a top plan view and in longitudinal sections a submount formed in micro structure technology in different assembly steps;

FIG. 6D shows in a longitudinal section the arrangement according to FIG. 6C, and FIG. 6E shows a coupling element adapted thereto, in a fourth exemplary embodiment of the present invention.